

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 66, As Amended in the Senate

BY JUDICIARY, RULES AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS; AMENDING CHAPTER 54, TITLE 18, IDAHO
2 CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 18-5415, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE
3 THAT REPORTING CHILD ABUSE, ABANDONMENT, OR NEGLECT FALSELY IS A MISDE-
4 MEANOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Chapter 54, Title 18, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
8 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
9 ignated as Section 18-5415, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

10 18-5415. FALSE REPORT OF CHILD ABUSE, ABANDONMENT, OR NEGLECT. Any
11 person who intentionally and willfully makes a report of child abuse, aban-
12 donment, or neglect to a law enforcement agency or the department of health
13 and welfare knowing such report to be false shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

14 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
15 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
16 passage and approval.